

May 3, 2017

Ex Parte Notice

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, May 2, 2017, the undersigned on behalf of NTCA—The Rural Broadband Association ("NTCA"), spoke separately via telephone with Nicholas Degani, senior counsel to Chairman Ajit Pai; Claude Aiken, legal advisor to Commissioner Mignon Clyburn; and Amy Bender, legal advisor to Commissioner Michael O'Rielly. In each conversation, we discussed the need for prompt action with respect to the rate floor policy and the potential for action on other universal service fund reform measures consistent with prior NTCA advocacy. *See, e.g.*, Application for Review of NTCA, *et al.*, WC Docket No. 10-90 (filed Jan. 21, 2015); Comments of NTCA, WC Docket No. 10-90 (filed May 12, 2016), at 9-19; *Ex Parte* Letter from Michael R. Romano, Sr. Vice President, NTCA, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission (the "Commission"), WC Docket No. 10-90 (filed May 1, 2017).

Thank you for your attention to this correspondence. Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter is being filed via ECFS.

Sincerely,

/s/ Michael R. Romano
Michael R. Romano
Senior Vice President –
Industry Affairs & Business Development

cc: Nicholas Degani Claude Aiken Amy Bender